

section, the Superintendent shall prescribe the same period of duration for permits on range units composed entirely of individually owned land, or in combination with tribal and/or Government land, as that determined by governing bodies pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section unless the principles of proper land management or efficient permit administration require otherwise.

(c) Permits for a period in excess of 5 years shall provide for review of the grazing fees by the Superintendent at the end of the first 5 years and for adjustment as necessary.

§ 166.15 Assignment, modification, and cancellation of permits.

(a) Grazing permits shall not be assigned, subpermitted, or transferred without the consent of the contracting parties, including the surety, and the approval of the Superintendent.

(b) The Superintendent may revoke or withdraw all or any part of a grazing permit by cancellation or modification on 30 days' written notice for violation of the permit or because of termination of trust status of permitted land. In case of cancellation or modification because of trust termination the action shall be effected on the next annual anniversary date of the grazing permit following the date of notice.

(c) The Superintendent may revoke or withdraw all or any part of a grazing permit by cancellation or modification on 180 days' written notice for allocated Indian use or for grazing exempt from permit pursuant to § 166.8. Unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the interested parties, such actions shall be effected on the annual anniversary date of the grazing permit following the date of notice except when such timeliness of notice is not possible, in which case deferment of the intended action shall not be required to extend beyond 180 days from the date of the notice. Rental fees for grazing privileges taken for allocation shall not be less than those paid by the preceding permittee.

§ 166.16 Conservation and land use provisions.

Grazing operations shall be conducted in accordance with recognized

principles of good range management. Stipulations or management plans necessary to accomplish this may be made a part of the grazing permit.

§ 166.17 Range improvements; ownership.

Improvements placed on the permitted land shall be considered affixed to the land unless specifically excepted therefrom under the permit terms. Written permission to construct and to remove improvements must be secured from the Superintendent. The permit will specify the maximum time allowed for removal of improvements so excepted.

§ 166.18 Payment of tribal fees and taxes.

Fees and taxes exclusive of annual grazing fees, assessed by the tribe in connection with grazing permits and with the approval of the Commissioner or Secretary, shall be billed for by the tribe and paid annually in advance to the designated tribal official. Failure to make payment will subject the grazing permit to cancellation and may disqualify the permittee for future permits.

§ 166.19 Special permit requirements and provisions.

(a) All grazing permits shall contain the following provisions:

(1) While the lands covered by the permit are in trust or restricted status, all of the permittee's obligations under the permit and the obligation of his sureties are to the United States as well as to the owner of the land.

(2) Nothing contained in the permit shall operate to delay or prevent a termination of Federal trust responsibilities with respect to the land by the issuance of a fee patent or otherwise during the term of the permit.

(3) The permittee agrees he will not use, cause, or allow to be used any part of the permitted area for any unlawful conduct or purpose.

(4) The permit authorizes the grazing of livestock only and the permittee shall not utilize the permitted area for hay cutting, hunting, post or timber cutting, or any other use without written authorization from the responsible Indian or Federal authority.